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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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In Reply Refer to:

EPA File No. 13U-15-R4

Mr. Michael Alston
Director, Office of Civil Rights
Office of Justice Programs
U.S. Department of Justice
810 Seventh Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20531-3718

Re: Referral of Administrative Complaint

Dear Mr. Alston:

This letter is to notify you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Civil Rights (OCR), is referring a complaint received June 24, 2015 from an inmate (Complainant) incarcerated at the Pamlico Correctional Institution (Pamlico CI), which is operated by the North Carolina Department of Public Safety (NC DPS). Complainant alleges various violations of environmental laws by Pamlico CI. However, since neither Pamlico CI nor NC DPS are applicants for, or recipients of, EPA financial assistance and Complainant does not allege a discriminatory act that may violate the EPA's nondiscrimination regulations, his complaint does not fall within the OCR's jurisdiction, and the EPA must reject it for investigation.

As the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) may have jurisdiction over the allegations presented in the subject complaint, the OCR is referring for appropriate action. We have notified Complainant that his complaint has been forwarded to the DOJ and provided your contact information. The complainant's letters are also enclosed.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Jonathan Stein of the OCR External Compliance Program at (202) 564-2088, via electronic mail at stein.jonathan@epa.gov, or by mail at U.S. EPA, Office of Civil Rights (Mail Code 1201A), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20460.

Sincerely,



Velveta Golightly-Howell
Director, Office of Civil Rights

Enclosures (2)

cc: Elise Packard
Associate General Counsel, Civil Rights & Finance Law Office
(MC 2399A)

Kenneth Lapierre
Assistant Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA Region 4
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June 17th, 2015

U.S. EPA Environmental
Protection Agency
Office of Civil Rights
Ariel Rios Building
1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Room 2540
Washington, DC. 20460

In re: A Population Over Five Hundred (*500) Inmates
Health And Lives Put In Jeopardy And Already
In Jeopardy Due To Dust And Mold Fungi and Possi-
ble Asbestos Dust Particles:

Dear EPA

There serious and dangerous situation that may because
some type of disease spreading through the Heat And Condition
Ducts and Ventilation System here at the Pamlico Correctional
Institution in Bayboro, North Carolina, Pamlico County, N.C.

It is more than likely that "pass and present" inmates have no
ideal of how harmful the excessive flow of dust particles coming
from the mold fungi and mildew and possible asbestos dust particles

years of build up will affect them and other that they may come in contact with in society after their release from prison.

Many correctional officers don't even recognize the health threat to them by working under these conditions twelve (12) hours a day or night.

The Administration personnel have failed to take steps to curtail, impede or alleviate this health risk because it will cost too much to flush the Heat And Air Condition, and Ventilation ducts system, although there is more than enough free labor they can use of inmates labor.

I am respectfully requesting that the EPA Civil Rights Office investigate dangerous situation with this environment at this institution, "Pamlico Correctional Institution, Bayboro, N.C. 28515" .

I trust that you will have an agent(s) to inspect this institution for truthness and order the appropriate action to be taken

Sincerely,

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July 2nd, 2015

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Washington, D.C. 20460

In re: Complaint/Letter Of Complaint To OSHA U.S.
Dept. of Labor, Occupational Safety And Health
Administration :

Dear U.S. EPA

Enclosed you will find a accurate and true copy of my
Complaint/Letter Of Complaint to "OSHA", because we need
all the help we can get even to adequate medical screening
for our lungs for symptoms of lung diseases because this
prison administration only play word games along along with
the medical staff members to avoid ~~pro~~providing adequate and
necessary screening and treatment of cut cost over treatment.

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OSHA

U.S. Dept. of Labor

Occupational Safety And Health Administration

200 Constitution Avenue

Washington, D.C. 20210

In re: A Population Over Five Hundred (#500) Inmates
Health, Safety And Lives Are In Jeopardy And
Have Already Been Put Into Jeopardy Due To Dust
And Mold Fungi And Possible Asbestos Dust Particles.

Dear OSHA

There is a serious and dangerous situation that is cause
by dangerous dust particles of dust and Mold Fungi and Possi-
ble Asbestos dust particles excessively exiting the Health &
Air Condition Ducts and Ventilation System and entering the
cells and day rooms Seven (#7) days and Seven (#7) nights
a week for twelve (#12) hours, days and nights.

This is a serious and dangerous situation that has been going on for years, and years of build up.

It is more likely that "pass and present inmates" have no ideal of how harmful the excessive flow of dust particles are coming from the duct system and how it has already effected them and have already caused lung problem(s) to them - along with "Tuberculosis Germ(s)...."

Even many of the correctional officers don't realize the danger to their health because they don't have to be in at the institution here at Pamlico County for twenty (*24) hours like the inmates....

I am respectfully requesting that OSHA have this dangerous situation investigated and take the appropriate action to immediate curtail, impend and or alleviate the health risk and afford access to screening for lung disease(s) possible health care access.

I trust that you (OSHA) have your agent(s) to inspect this Institution: Pamlico Correction Institution in Pamlico County, North Carolina....

Sincerely,

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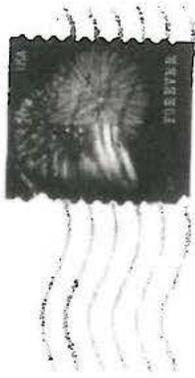
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